

## **Santee Teen Center @ Big Rock Park**

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

**1. What is the Santee Teen Center?**

The Santee Teen Center @ Big Rock Park is a drop-in, after-school recreation program offered by the City of Santee. The mission of the Teen Center is to provide a safe and healthy recreation environment for pre-teens and teens that foster respect for self, family and community.

**2. How are the teens supervised?**

The center is staff by City of Santee employees who are certified in first aid and CPR, have completed specialized teen oriented training and have cleared a department of justice background check. The Teen Center operates with a maximum of a 1:15 staff-to-participant ratio.

**3. Who can participate in the Teen Center?**

The Santee Teen Center daily program is designed for all youth in grades 6-9. Leadership and volunteer opportunities are available for teens in grades 10-12, up to age 17.

**4. Where is the Teen Center located?**

The Santee Teen Center is located at 8115 Arlette Street located at the Community Services Building located next to Big Rock Park.

**5. What are the hours of operation?**

School year hours of operation: Monday - Friday: 2:00-6:00 PM

*Hours adjusted to match early dismissal for Santee School District (SSD) schools and **closed on SSD holidays.***

Summer hours of operation: Mon-Fri: 2:00-6:00 PM

X-Factor Camp: 7:00 AM-2:00 PM (fee based program, registration required)

**6. What type of programs and activities do you offer?**

Teen Center daily programming consists of a variety of indoor and outdoor recreation activities. In addition to the daily activities there are also leadership, socialization, community service and educational opportunities. Teens at the center are involved in the programming and are encouraged to help design and implement the daily activities.

- Outdoor: Games, bike riding, Volleyball, Tennis, Pickleball, Basketball, Soccer and more
- Indoor: Pool table, fooseball, board games, crafts, cooking, computers
- Homework: Daily homework time and high school student tutors available for support
- Leadership: Summer Camp Jr. Leader program. Contact Community Services for details.
- Monthly City Hall Dances located: at Santee City Hall for teens in 6-9<sup>th</sup> grade, Free to Teen Center members who attend the center 5 times in the same month of the dance.
- Monthly activities: City Hall Dance, extended hours, guest speakers, birthday celebrations, sports, nature explore and more...

**7. How much does it cost to attend the Teen Center?**

Annual membership is \$44 per year for Santee residents and \$59 for non-residents, or \$5 per day. There are no daily fees for attending the Teen Center and no limit on how many days a member can attend per year. Pick one regular day and check out the Teen Center for free. Members also receive discounts on special events and programs offered through the Teen Center. Financial aid is available for qualifying families through the Voucher Incentive Program. Membership can also be earned through completing community service hours supporting City of Santee teen programs.

**8. How do I become a member?**

Submit the membership fee and registration form with a parent/guardian signature and agree to the Code of Conduct. That's it! Membership forms and payment are accepted online, at the Teen Center or at Santee City Hall, Building 6.

**9. Do you partner with the Santee School District?**

Santee Teen Center staff visit school campuses regularly to provide free recreation activities during lunch and recess for 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

**10. How do I find out more information?**

Visit us online at [SanteeTeenCenter.com](http://SanteeTeenCenter.com) or on Facebook

Call Teen Recreation at 619.258.4100 ext. 210

Call the Teen Center 619.258.4191

Email the Teen Center at [TeenCenter@cityofsantee.ca.gov](mailto:TeenCenter@cityofsantee.ca.gov)

Call Community Services Department: 619.258.4100 ext. 222

